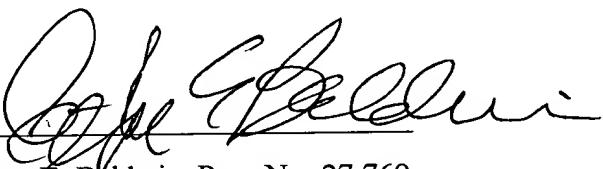


REMARKS

This RCE Amendment is submitted in response to the Final Office Action mailed April 22, 2003, and is submitted by the current due date of October 22, 2003. In that Final Office Action, the Examiner took the position that new Claims 11- 21 were directed to an invention that is independent or distinct from the invention originally claims in now cancelled Claims 1-10 for the reasons of record.

It is respectfully submitted that it would have been appropriate for the Examiner to previously examine previously added Claims 11-21 on the merits. However, in order to proceed with the examination of the present application, applicant hereby elects new Claims 11-21 for consideration by the Examiner.

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